

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 7151

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to recognize Richard Snowden on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, Richard Snowden is one such estimable person, who served with distinction for sixty-one years as an employee at Wallace Distributing and recently took his much-deserved retirement; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Snowden's career at Wallace Distributing began shortly after his graduation from McDonald High School, when he accepted an offer of work as a part-time employee at Wallace Hardware from John D. Wallace; and

WHEREAS, a working student, Mr. Snowden worked at Wallace Hardware while attending the University of Tennessee in Knoxville and joined the United States Marine Corps Reserve in 1966, completing boot camp and serving on some weekends; and

WHEREAS, after returning from Marine Corps training in 1967, he served in the Industrial Sales Division, eventually becoming the division's supervisor; he was promoted to Vice President and Sales Manager of the Hardware Division in 1985; and

WHEREAS, in 2009, Richard Snowden was named Senior Vice President of Marketing, where his duties included managing the PRO and Farm Mart stores program, store design, merchandising program, show design, marketing funds management, and working with the sales team on program implementation; and

WHEREAS, an active part of his community, Mr. Snowden has served as a pastor for a few local church congregations and rendered sterling service as a member of the Greene County Farm Bureau; and

WHEREAS, Richard Snowden exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Richard Snowden has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we extend to Richard Snowden our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.